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March 22, 2004

TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.

Director and Chief Medical Officer

SUBJECT:

STATE TASK FORCE PARTICIPATION

I am pleased to inform you that Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H., has been requested to serve on the Governor's task force charged with developing recommendations for the structure and related functions necessary to form a State department to oversee public safety, including homeland security issues. This task force has been asked to return its recommendations to the Governor within the next two weeks.

Dr. Fielding has also been appointed to the Governor's expert panel for the Performance Improvement Initiative of the California Performance Review, examining the function and performance of the State Department of Managed Health Care. Meetings are occurring this month with recommendations to be completed by March 31, 2004.

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